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EAGLE SCOUT

A leadership field



*Teen who built benches
at St. John's Field earns
Scouting's highest honor*

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On the Sunday afternoon of Little League opening weekend, they were standing up and cheering at St. John's Field even though there wasn't a game on.

Friends, family and fellow Boy Scouts enjoyed a meal in the pavilion off Leonard Street and watched Daniel Robie earn his Eagle badge. It was a special day and special place for Robie: As a young boy, he played baseball here. As a young man, he led the service project that installed new dugout benches and a scoreboard.

"I played Little League in town, and tee-ball," Robie said. "This was the last field I

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TOP: Daniel Robie, center, stands with his father Richard and mother Linda during his Eagle Scout Court of Honor on May 3 at St. John's Field. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY

INSET: As his Eagle service project, Daniel Robie supervised the construction of team benches and a scoreboard last year at the Little League diamond at St. John's Field.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Cohen asks council to reconsider special police retirement age

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Mayor Richard Cohen is asking the Agawam City Council to come back to him with a revised version of a resolution seeking special legislation allowing members of the Agawam special police to work until age 70.

Last week, the council defeated a resolution proposed by the mayor that would allow special police, who are fully sworn police officers used part-time by Agawam as needed, to continue working until past age 65, the state mandatory retirement age.

The measure was defeated 7-4, with councilors against it

citing public safety, state law and the fact the officers would continue to be fully sworn and not limited to simple duties like traffic enforcement on road construction details.

Cohen addressed many of the criticisms in the legislation in a letter to the council sent out last week.

He agrees with Councilor Gina Letellier, who said age is not a proper measure of physical and mental fitness. He said all special officers between ages 65 and 70 and would be required to take physicals that would test their mental and physical aptitude. No officer is not fit for duty would be allowed to work, he said.

Officers past age 65 must also

work limited hours, he said.

Both Cohen and Police Chief Eric Gillis says there is ambiguity in the state laws regarding age of police officers. They said the Massachusetts law specifically requires full-time officers who are "paying into the state retirement system" to retire once they are 65 years old.

Council President Christopher Johnson said last week he could not reconcile the fact that Agawam would require full-time police officers to retire at 65, but Special Police could remain.

Cohen offered a solution. "A full-time officer who retires could come back as a member of the special police," Cohen said.

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TOWN BUDGET

Mayor wants more cops to handle traffic from casino

Proposed budget a 3.7% hike over this year's

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The fiscal year 2016 budget was released by the mayor's office earlier this week and is expected to head to the Agawam City Council's agenda next week, with budget meetings scheduled to be held within the council's next two regular meetings.

Mayor Richard Cohen is asking for a 3.7 percent increase in the overall budget, which includes the schools. Much of the budget increases are due to contractual salary and step increases for teachers and town employees. The unions all negotiated last year for a 1.5 percent pay increase.

One of the few new items, Cohen said, is five new police officers for the Agawam Police Department.

It is believed the new police officers will eliminate some over-

time, and address an upcoming need for the town.

"In speaking with the chief of police, we realize that we are in need of more police officers to be in town because of the casino coming in the next couple of years," said Cohen. "We need these officers to help with the additional traffic and influx of people in the area."

The number of police officers in Agawam would remain less than in neighboring West Springfield. Though the two towns have similar populations, there are approximately 60 full-time police officers in West Springfield. Adding five officers to the roster would give Agawam 45 full-time police officers.

With the MGM Springfield casino yet to be built, Cohen believes bringing the officers into the fold now will allow them to go through the police academy

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FEEDING HILLS CENTER



The owner of a vacant lot next to the Pride station in Feeding Hills is planning three buildings, including two drive-through windows. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY

Neighbors question proposed drive-through businesses

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North Westfield Street residents are concerned about the possibility of two drive-through businesses being located near their properties following a proposal by developer Ralph DePalma.

DePalma has cleared land next to the Pride gas station on North Westfield Street. Architect Rob Levesque of R. Levesque Associates says DePalma wishes to

create three buildings at the location. Two of them, planned at 2,500 and 2,800 square feet, would have drive-through windows.

"One will be a restaurant and one will be a credit union," said Levesque.

The third building proposed will be a 6,020 square foot medical office or urgent care facility. The lot on which all three buildings would be built encompasses 2.8 acres.

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Holy Week collections to benefit food pantry, safety program

By Michael J. Ballway
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Eastertime generosity is feeding the needy and keeping children safe.

Members of the Agawam Clergy Association presented the Parish Cupboard on Tuesday with an \$888 donation to spend on the organization's food pantry and free meal programs on Main Street in West Springfield. The money comes from collections at the interfaith group's daily Holy Week services last month.

Martha Tighe, executive director of the Parish Cupboard, said the money will be appreciated. Food donations drop off in the summer, she said, but the need increases for families with children who will now be home from school all day.

"In the summertime, those children may not be getting their free lunch and breakfast," she said.

The Parish Cupboard's food pantry helps 180-200 families from both Agawam and West Springfield, said Tighe. Though the pantry is not far from a bus stop, Tighe said she knows some of her clients walk all the way down Memorial Avenue from across the bridge in Agawam — and then walk all the way back, carrying bags of food.

Half of the money will be spent on the Parish Cupboard's meal program, which serves lunch five days a week. Tighe said the homeless population of the two towns depends upon this service, with 30-45 clients on a typical day. That makes for cramped quarters in a dining room that only seats 15, said Tighe, but when she asks them about larger soup kitchens, they say they prefer the smaller scale and personal touch at the West Side site.



Members of the Agawam Clergy Association present an \$888 check to Martha Tighe (second from left, front row) of the Parish Cupboard on May 12. Pictured in the back row, from left, are Greg Dawson, pastor of Agawam Congregational Church; Timothy Reed, executive pastor of Bethany Assembly of God; and Brad Peterson, pastor of Oak Community Church. Pictured in the front row, from left, are Jean Raczkowski, pastoral minister at Sacred Heart Church; Tighe; William Pass, pastor of the Church of Redemption; Janet Brown, director of children and family ministry at Agawam Congregational Church; and George Thomson, pastor of First Baptist Church. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY

Also at their May 12 meeting, members of the Agawam clergy discussed plans to bring "Say Something," a multimedia assembly about child trafficking and exploitation, to Agawam High School in the fall. William Pass, pastor of the Church of Redemption, said the program is powerful and comprehensive, even providing some counseling support.

"This is a real issue," said Pass. "It's a real problem worldwide. We just want to teach the students to 'say something.'"

It costs \$5,000, but \$4,000 will be covered by Holy Week collections at Bethany

Assembly of God, according to Executive Pastor Timothy Reed. The other churches in town will try to raise the remaining \$1,000.

Pass said the school superintendent and School Committee are excited about bringing the assembly to Agawam. He said Say Something would present daytime assemblies to high school students, but would also run a program in the evening so that parents and other community members could attend.

Family picnic to benefit Thomas Smith House

The Agawam Historical Association will host a fundraiser to benefit the Thomas Smith House Saturday, May 16, from noon to 3 p.m. The day's events will include a family picnic, a May Pole Celebration, a bake sale and tours of the historic house at 251 N. West St., Feeding Hills.

All are invited to bring a picnic lunch. A \$10 per family donation will include beverage and ice cream dessert. Beverages will be provided by Dave's Soda and Pet City.

Rain date is Sunday, May 17. For more information, visit thethomassmithhouse.com.



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North Street on town's summer roadwork plan

By Michael J. Ballway
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It may seem like warm weather just arrived, but the first round of road construction season in Agawam is already over, with resurfacing projects on Maynard and Poplar streets now complete.

Road construction season will begin in earnest in July, said Public Works Superintendent Christopher Golba, with work on two major roads in Feeding Hills and a few smaller streets around town.

Work on North Westfield Street will complete the water main installation that began last year. Golba said the new main is already in use, providing Agawam with a connection to the Springfield water system now that the primary transmission line across the town has been shut down for reconstruction.

Also in Feeding Hills, North Street Extension and 6,000 feet of North Street will be resurfaced by Palmer Paving this year, to complement the portion of North Street that was repaved a few years ago. The full length of North Street Extension is projected to cost \$204,000; the North Street portion, which extends from North Westfield Street to Colmore Street, \$270,000.

The town will also contract to resurface the length of Colmore Street, \$92,000; the length of Provin Mountain Drive, \$100,000; and Century Street, \$34,000. The exact dates of each project will depend upon Palmer Paving, which does roadwork in several towns.

Golba said the town could take on additional projects at the end of the season.

"We have a list of streets, but we're kind of at the mercy of the paving company," Golba said. "Usually we wait until the end of the season to see what time they have left, see what projects we can fit in."

The roadwork will be funded in part by \$122,000 received from the state pothole fund — formally the Winter Recovery Assistance Program, a \$30 million plan announced earlier this year. The town also has funds left over from this year's Chapter 90 state aid, and is slated to receive \$800,000 more when fiscal 2016 begins on July 1. Chapter 90 is the state's annual grant to cities and towns for local road projects.

The leftover Chapter 90 money funded the two projects already completed, 1,700 feet of Maynard Street, about \$63,000, and 2,100 feet of Poplar Street between Garden and Mill streets, about \$75,000. Because the Chapter 90 money is tied to a specific fiscal year, those projects had to be completed before June 30 of this year, and the money for the remaining projects is not available until July 1.

Work also continues on the water transmission pipeline connecting Provin Mountain with the city of Springfield. That six-mile-long project began last fall in Feeding Hills, and will force Agawam roads in its path to close temporarily as it proceeds past Springfield and Line streets, Lancaster Drive, Cooper, Suffield and Main streets. The Springfield Water and Sewer Commission, not the town of Agawam, is supervising that project.

Gala Sunday to combat rare condition

Rett Syndrome takes its toll on families as well as their daughters

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Mention the word Rett in public and most won't turn their heads. A young woman capable only of moans and shrieks, who wrings her hands and is possibly bound to a wheelchair, will capture attention, but for the wrong reasons.

Rett syndrome, caused by a non-inherited mutation of the MECP2 gene along the X chromosome, is rare. According to the National Institute of Health, roughly one in every 10,000 to 15,000 girls born worldwide will have Rett. Since boys have only one X chromosome, most with the mutation die after birth. It is named after Dr. Andreas Rett who described the condition in 1966. It wasn't until 1983, when a second article was published, that Rett was recognized.

Compounding matters is that the symptoms are strikingly similar to cerebral palsy and autism, which are the most common misdiagnoses.

Since Rett girls are incapable of caring and communicating for themselves, it becomes a full-time job to look after a single child, which can strain relationships with any other children in the home as well as with the parents.

While Rett may be rare, there is a strong and tight-knit, supportive community within Western Massachusetts determined to fight back against genetics and give their daughters normal lives.

On Sunday, May 17, they are hosting a Reverse Rett Gala at Crestview Country Club in Agawam beginning at 6:30 p.m. featuring cocktails, dinner and an auction. Proceeds from the event benefit the Rett Syndrome Research Trust.

Several of the families recently gathered at Jessica's Boundless Playground, an all-inclusive playground named after Jessica Martins, a Belchertown woman with Rett syndrome who passed away in 2009 following complications with the H1N1 virus.

"We're hoping the money will help find a cure," event co-chair Maggie Wurm of Wilbraham said. "The research out there is phenomenal."

Wurm and her husband Brian, also a co-chair, raise their daughter Madasyn and son Korbin. Brian stressed that caring for a child with the type of needs demanded by Rett is extremely challenging. He commented that getting three or four hours of sleep a night "wears on you," as the day-to-day life of Rett revolves around set schedules. Being just a few minutes late for lunch, for instance, can lead to outbursts.

"It's hard [for couples] not just to juggle their daughters, but to have a life of their own," Maggie Wurm said.

She noted that it can also be challenging for her to see the younger children running around the playground and communicating like children do. She explained that Ma-



Emma Paulhus of Monson, right, diagnosed with Rett Syndrome, enjoys a sunny day with her mother Karon. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY TYLER S. WITKOP

dasyn was diagnosed relatively late and had already started to talk when the symptoms began. While she may not be able to verbalize any longer, she still understands what others say.

Monson resident and gala co-chair Karon Paulhus, explained it took some time before her daughter Emma was diagnosed, as she underwent cancer treatments as a one-year-old. The Rett diagnosis didn't come until Emma was five. Emma has good muscles but is unable to walk.

Currently, there is no cure for Rett, though symptoms may be managed. Because of its similarities to such conditions as cerebral palsy and autism, there is hope that curing Rett could open doors for cures for many other ailments. Giving families hope is that in 2007, researchers were able to reverse Rett in mice.

The group stressed at the very least that the gala would serve as a way of raising awareness to the condition and what families go through. Tickets for the event cost \$60. Checks should be made payable to RSRT, 67 Under Cliff Road, Trumbull, CT 06611, with a note on the check, "New England Event."

For more information, visit reverserett.org/newengland.

Observances scheduled for Memorial Day

Memorial Day services in Agawam will begin Sunday, May 24, with a service at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main St., beginning at 10 a.m.

On Memorial Day itself, May 25, observances will include: 7 a.m., Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge, also known as the Strathmore Bridge, 40 Front St., West Springfield, with the West Springfield Veterans Council; 7:25 a.m., American Legion Post 185, 478 Springfield St.; 7:40 a.m., Springfield Street Cemetery, 141 N. Westfield St.,

Feeding Hills; 8 a.m., Clifford Granger School, 31 S. Westfield St., Feeding Hills; 8:15 a.m., South Westfield Street Cemetery; 8:30 a.m., Agawam Center Cemetery, 954 Main St.

The town's parade will begin Monday at 10 a.m. with the assembly point at Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main St. It will continue down Main Street to Veterans Green at Main and School streets, with a ceremony to follow.

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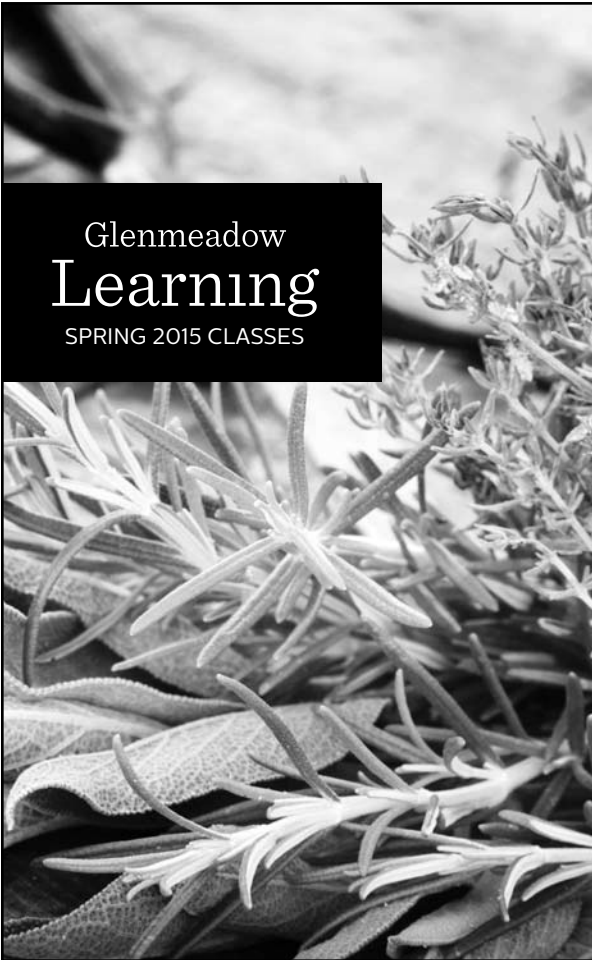
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Is the state finally ready to listen?

We've got a businessman governor focusing on the big issues and a lieutenant governor from outside of I-495, a person well versed in local politics and municipal government, someone who's been designated as the administration's ambassador to the cities and towns, promising a new era of cooperation and understanding.

So what's the difference between the Corner Office today and eight years ago?

Lt. Gov. Timothy Murray, the former Worcester mayor, was supposed to be the Deval Patrick administration's sympathetic ear for local governments, and he made a good start with some of the region's larger cities. But smaller towns like Agawam never got the same level of attention.

As the largest of the state's so-called Gateway Cities, in many ways Worcester has more in common with the likes of Lowell and Fall River — or even Revere and Quincy — than with most of its neighbors in Central and Western Massachusetts. Murray spent his entire political career in Worcester, leading the City Council and School Committee and presiding over a remarkable revitalization of both City Hall and the public schools.

That made Murray a good spokesman and problem-solver for economically depressed centers like Westfield, Springfield and Holyoke, and for urban school districts. But it didn't prepare him to understand the concerns of suburban and rural towns, and according to Agawam Mayor Richard Cohen, he didn't make the same sort of outreach that his successor, Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito, seems to be doing.

Polito, unlike Murray, comes from a town similar to Agawam: suburban, population under 40,000, good schools, friendly neighbors, middle-class concerns. And if local leaders like Cohen and School Superintendent William Sapelli can be believed, she made a favorable first impression with a wide-ranging, open discussion in Agawam late last month.

It will take more than the right resume and good intentions, though. It will even take more than holding meetings and filling a notebook with requests and observations. Delivering a responsive state government to Agawam and towns like it will require making tough decisions at budget time, maintaining a sense of fairness to the needs of distant towns when the needs of the state government are close at hand to the Statehouse.

Here's where the Baker administration appears to have a natural advantage over its predecessor: In a political landscape dominated by Democrats, a Republican governor should have an easier time saying "no" to state legislators, lobbyists and special interests connected with the state bureaucracy. It bears noting that the last Republican governor, Mitt Romney, gave less attention to small towns than Patrick.

It's encouraging to see a lieutenant governor actually listening to small and mid-sized towns' concerns, and the administration's early budget decisions — which so far have seen steady or increased local aid payments — also bode well. Let's hope that as they settle in to their offices in Boston, and as state government interest groups adjust to lobbying a Republican administration, Baker and Polito can hold on to their focus and build on this start.

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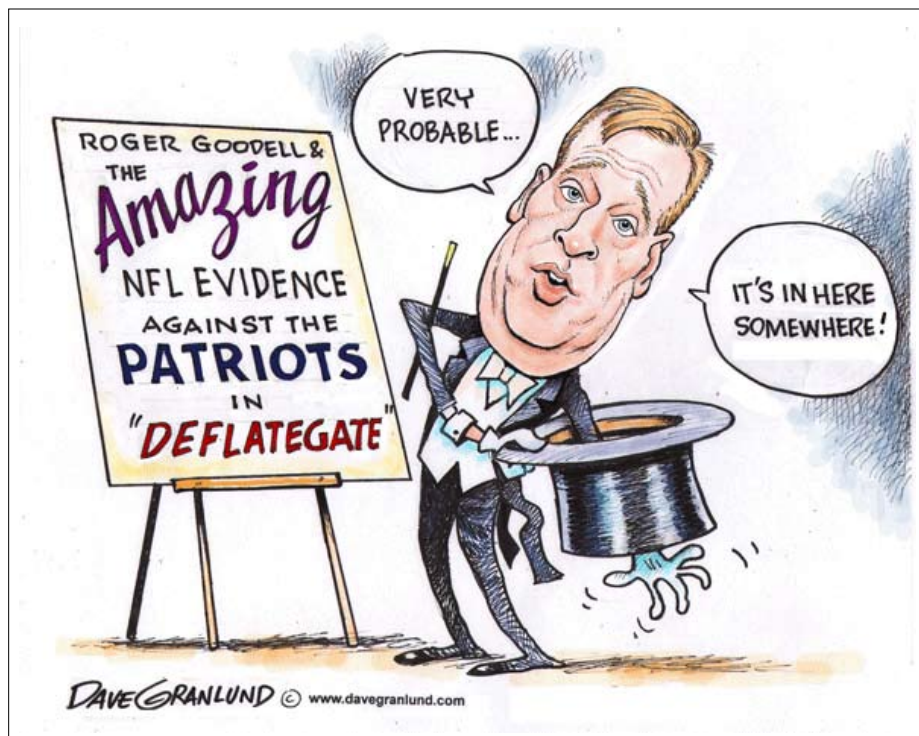


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Agawam resident offers tribute to her mother

You were the epitome of motherhood. Having your first child in 1924 and 10th in 1945, you were as excited with each as if it were your first. Your wedding picture shows a slight young lady at approximately 105 pounds. I can only remember you as the perfect Mrs. Santa Claus, short, round, perfectly coiffured white hair, blue eyes, and flawless complexion.

Daddy sat at the head of the table, always in a three-piece suit, even at breakfast. You were adorned with your ever-starched housedress and your Mother Hubbard-style apron. Never forgetting your earrings, as you felt undressed without them.

Having made bread dough the night before, you would fry the dough that we smothered with butter and maple syrup. It was a favorite breakfast where the boys would have a contest to see who could eat the most. Never did I hear you say that you wished that you were out in the business world. You were happy being a mother.

Your sister, Beatrice, had no children and would ask if she could take one of us. There was no way that you could possibly give one of us up. Loving each and every one of us the same, we would always stay under one roof; your roof.

In your later years, when planning vacations without the children, Daddy would ask you where you would like to spend a week or two. Even though you did visit the Caribbean Islands and Canada many times, your more enjoyable vacations were when you would be visiting one of us that

had moved out of the area.

Nothing could have been more painful than the day when the doorbell rang and I was handed a telegram. I then handed the telegram to you. You opened it and read:

"The Navy Dept. deeply regrets to inform you that your son, Omer Paul Potvin, Quarter Master Third Class USN is missing following action in the performance of his duty and of the service of his country. The department appreciates your great anxiety, but details not now available and delay in receipt thereof must necessarily be expected. To prevent possible aid to our enemies and to safeguard the lives of other personnel, please do not divulge the name of his ship or discuss publicly the fact that he is missing."

*Vice Admiral Randall Jacobs
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Such a cold and cruel way to be informed of this tragedy. For years we waited to hear that his submarine had surfaced or perhaps he escaped and swam to an island. That never happened.

Forty years later, Daddy died on Dec. 28. It was on Omer's birthday. You missed them both and cried a lot, but were pleased that they were together. One year later, on your birthday, you left us and joined them both.

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YESTERDAY’S HOMETOWN NEWS

Manning’s Agawam directory

The recent 70th anniversary of VE Day brought back the memory of a picture on my parents’ desk back in the early ’50s. One day I asked my mother who the man was in the uniform. I learned that it was her brother George Desmarais, who was killed in Europe in World War II. Later, when I was older, I realized that my cousin Patty Ann had never seen her father, my Uncle George. My Aunt Doris was pregnant when Uncle George left for Europe. It’s 70 years later, stories like this are still occurring and it doesn’t look like it will be stopping soon.

Some nights we listen to oldies on YouTube. It’s easy to get hooked for a couple of hours and end up past your bedtime. Eddie Holman, born in 1946, who sang with the Delfonics and the Stylistics, can still sing, “Hey There Lonely Girl” just as well as he did many years ago.

The library display cases now have a picture of David D’Antonio, who taught shop to thousands of Brownies during his career here. After four years in the Pacific during World War II, Dave got his college degree and a teaching position here in town. He always had us working on a project and the library showcases have some that we could never think of throwing away: the folding TV tray; the lamp that looked like a pump that turned on when you pushed down on the handle; the doggie bookends, one end was the head and the other end was the tail; and how many houses in town had the little Scotch terrier out on their lawn with the house number? The terrier from 60 Monroe St. is in the showcase.

Dave Mario D’Antonio and Chick Kistner started the teachers credit union in town and Dave was active with the organization until his retirement in the mid-’80s. His daughter Paula is in Hawaii but his son David Michael D’Antonio is just down the road in Enfield where he works as a facility manager making equipment for biotech companies. Young David is planning to come to see our showcases and we are looking forward to meeting him. Shop was so much fun that it was the first course I chose when I had an elective at AHS. That was with Mr. Frank Ball. Upperclassmen Pete Lipski and Charlie Dunlap were in the

same class. How I wish I could go to more classes and make another wooden bowl like the one we still have on our kitchen counter.

By the time you read this, our library will have a copy of the Agawam directory published in 1955 by the Manning Company. If you lived in Agawam back then, you may want to look up your street and see the names of your neighbors. Since that was 60 years ago, you may have forgotten a few. I had forgotten the Hopkins family that had lived in the home diagonally across the street. The Petersons lived at 85 Monroe St. and their daughter Judy married our next door neighbor Jeffrey Atwater. Never found out what happened to Barry Peterson. Good project for me this year.

The Manning Directory will have some favorite sections for you. It could be the alphabetical list of town residents where it tells the place of employment of the family breadwinner. Maybe it will be the section by street name where it lists each house or building by address number. For me, the favorite section is the ads. Here are some of my favorite ads: Harold Light’s Service Station in Feeding Hills Center, where the Pride station is now. That’s where Eddie Neilson ’41 ran into Gen. Creighton Abrams. Eddie had served under Abrams’ command in Europe but never had seen him there. Years later he went for some gas and there he was. What a story!

How about the ad for the Agawam Chinchilla Ranch located at 1197 Main St. Someday I’ll try to figure out where that was. Maybe it’s gone now. It could have been where Trinity Terrace comes out, because the house listed just south of 1197 is the one where Darcy Davis now lives, that being the home of David Robinson ’64 back in ’55.

Alfred Gallerani had an ad for his electrical business operated out of his home at 361 Suffield St. That home was recently sold by his daughters. My dad and I painted the trim on that home nearly 40 years ago.

Charles Wright had an ad for his excavating business run out of his home at 70 Meadow St. That may have been Holly’s dad. Holly can be seen in Bill Grimaldi’s



Walt Willard



Pictured here is George Desmarais, who played basketball for Easthampton High School in the early 1930s. He played against Brownies Sam Provo and Merrill Tisdell. SUBMITTED PHOTO

video of his house being moved from the Route 57 rotary area to where it now sits on the south corner of Main and Meadow streets. Surely you will be out in front of it waiting for the red light to turn green.

Lou’s Family Shoes was at 369 Walnut St. You could buy shoes in Agawam back then. Now you can if you go to a tag sale. Richards’ Dry Cleaning Service is listed at 707 Main St., right in between the Agawam Luncheonette and Tisdell’s Barber Shop. Sandie’s Agawam Cleaners located there has recently closed and for the first time in about 70 years there is no longer a cleaners there. Back in 1955, George Robinson of 50 Main St. had that cleaners using the name Richards’ Dry Cleaning Service. His home was right next to the entry driveway to the school on Main Street. Since I attended that school for four years, I probably rode by his house on the bus about seven hundred times. Many Brownies have done the same and who has the record could be difficult to determine.

Walt Willard went to AHS and taught math there for 16 years. He can be reached at 413-786-7924. Call him. Walt loves your feedback and any and all information or tidbits you can offer.

City Council Meeting

Roberta G. Doering School
68 Main St.
Monday, May 18
7 p.m.

- A. Roll call
 - B. Moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance
 - C. Citizen’s speak time
 - D. Minutes
 - 1. Regular council meeting – May 4, 2015
 - E. Declaration from council president
 - F. Presentation of Petitions and Resolutions
 - 1. TR-2015-24- A resolution accepting a gift from Ronald Waite pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53A to the Agawam Golf Course (\$1,500.00) (Mayor)
 - 2. TR-2015-25- A resolution authorizing the appropriation to fund deficits in snow and ice overtime and equipment rentals snow accounts (Mayor) (Referred to Finance Committee)
 - G. Report of council committees
 - H. Elections
 - I. Public hearings
 - 1. TR-2015-21 (PH-2015-2)- A Resolution adopting the Fiscal Year 2016-2020 Capital Improvement Program. Public hearing date set for June 1, 2015 (Mayor) (Tabled 5/4/15) (Referred to Finance Committee)
 - J. Old business
 - 1. TO-2015-20- An Order granting a Class 2 Dealer’s License to Malkoon Motor Sales, Inc., 825 Springfield St., Agawam, MA (Clerk) (Referred to Administrative Committee)
 - 2. TO-2015-21- An Order granting or renewing a Junk Dealer’s Permit for T’s Jewelers, 559 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, MA (Clerk) (Referred to Finance Committee)
 - 3. TO-2015-22- A budgetary transfer of \$234,018.56 for the Department of Public Works from the Reserve Fund 16605-57300 to Highway Ice Control Materials (14203-52210) (Mayor) (Referred to Finance Committee)
 - K. New business: Unavailable at press time.
 - L. Any other matter that may legally come before the city council.
- Adjournment

Ice cream event to benefit Phelps class

The fourth grade class at Benjamin J. Phelps School Elementary School, 689 Main St., Agawam, will host “I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream,” Tuesday, May 19, from 4 to 9 p.m. The event will take place at the Ice Cream Shoppe, 493 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, in the Partners Plaza.

A portion of all sales earned that evening will be donated to the Phelps School’s fourth grade class, which is graduating this year. Every paying customer will receive a free raffle ticket to be entered to win a prize. The night’s events will also include music.

Rain date is May 21.

Boldyga touts \$320K boost for Agawam state aid

BOSTON — State Rep. Nicholas A. Boldyga, R-Southwick, recently said the House of Representative’s fiscal 2016 budget has positive news for Agawam.

The House voted to increase Chapter 70 school aid by almost \$100,000, and unrestricted local aid by almost \$120,000, for the town of Agawam, all without raising taxes or fees.

Boldyga also said he worked with his colleagues across the aisle to secure an amendment to the budget that provides \$100,000 that can be spent on auditorium

renovations at AHS, AJHS or both.

“It’s great news that both Republicans and Democrats worked together to balance the budget without raising taxes or creating new fees,” Boldyga said. “After speaking with our school officials and discussing areas in need of improvement and repair, I was able to ensure an additional \$100,000 for Agawam public schools in the budget. The added funding will allow the schools to repair and improve the auditorium and stages at both the senior and junior high schools. The improvements will better

the experience for our children and their parents while attending classes and programs.”

The Senate will now consider the House budget proposal. After the two houses agree on a budget, it will go to the governor for his signature.



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Rain Date Sunday, May 17th

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Public Safety

POLICE LOG

The Agawam Police Department responded to 345 calls for service from May 5 to May 11. The department made 11 arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Tuesday, May 5

Victoria Ann Sikand, 22, of 140 Regency Park Drive, Agawam, was arrested on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Wednesday, May 6

Jeffrey A. Cohen, 30, of 619 Springfield St., Apt. 3, Agawam, was arrested on charges of breaking and entering in the daytime for felony, and larceny over \$250.

Dayna Hoague, 47, of 775 Springfield St., Apt. 6D, Agawam, was arrested on a charge of assault and battery.

Friday, May 8

Randy Briant Durgin, 27, of 157 Pontoosic Road, Westfield, was arrested on a charge of larceny over \$250.

Dequan Gardner, 20, of 447 Pine St., Feeding Hills, was arrested on charges of breaking and entering a building in the daytime for felony, larceny from a building, larceny under \$250, and vandalizing property – defacement of real or personal property.

Dominic Kenneth Veighey, 20, of 94 Norris St., Agawam, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear.

Saturday, May 9

Raul A. Casanova, 34, of 70 Sherman St., 3rd Floor Apt., Springfield, was arrested on a warrant.

A juvenile from Springfield was arrested on a charge of shoplifting by asportation.

James D. Landry, 42, of 71 West Glen St., Holyoke, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear.

Sunday, May 10

Jeffrey P. Cleavall, 42, was arrested on charges of operating under the influence of alcohol with a blood alcohol level of .08 or under (per se law), failure to stop and yield, marked lanes violation, possession of a Class E drug, and negligent operation of a motor vehicle.

Roger Keyes, 53, of 41 Colonial Ave., Agawam, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear.

FIRE LOG

Logs for May 6-12 were not available from the Fire Department by press time. They will be printed in next week's Agawam Advertiser News.

Are You Old News?



Each week the Agawam Advertiser News digs into its submitted photo archives and selects a people photo to publish. We need your help to help identify those pictured. Email your answers by Monday at noon to aan@turley.com. Please include your first and last name.

Last week's photo: There were no correct submissions for Lee Files.



Agawam Senior Center

Lunch Menu

Monday, May 18: Country pie, garden salad, bananas.

Tuesday, May 19: Asian chicken salad on romaine with grilled chicken, mandarin oranges, crunchy noodles, red onion.

Wednesday, May 20: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, pudding.

Thursday, May 21: Roast chicken Capri, baby potatoes, broccoli, baked good.

Friday, May 22: Vegetable pizza with peppers and mushrooms, macaroni salad, diced pears.

Calendar of Events

Monday, May 18: 8:15, Yoga; 9 a.m., Painting Club; 9:30 a.m., Line Dancing; 11:30 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 1 p.m., Bingo, iPad Seminar with Raymond Rose; 3 p.m., Senior Theater Rehearsal; 5:30 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Tuesday, May 19: 9 a.m., Shuffleboard Begins at St. John's (Leonard Street), Knitting Class, Sewing Class; 10 a.m., Computer Club Meets; 12:30

p.m., Ladies Billiards, Mah Jongg, Movie ("The Awful Truth"); 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 2:30 p.m., Chorus; 4:30 p.m., Yoga; 6 p.m., Beginner Line Dance, Garden Club Meets; 6:30 p.m., Evening Sewing Class.

Wednesday, May 20: 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 8:30 a.m., Meet the Mayor; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 11:30 a.m., Outreach Group Lunch; 12:30 p.m., Bridge, Free Blood Pressure Check; 1 p.m., Ballroom Lessons, Scrabble; 1:30 p.m., Golden Agers Chapter 2 Meeting; 2-4 p.m., CPA Jack Welch (by appt.); 5:30 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Thursday, May 21: 9:30 a.m., Quilting; 10 a.m., Line Dancing; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Pitch, Open Art Class; 2 p.m., Melody Band Practice; 6:30 p.m., Pitch, Evening Line Dancing.

Friday, May 22: 8 a.m., Yoga; 9:15 a.m., All Media Art; 10 a.m., Tai Chi; Noon, Canasta; 1 p.m., Pitch, Cribbage, Mama & Baby Love Variety Show (\$5); 5 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Women's Club hosts meeting Tuesday

The GFWC Agawam Junior Women's Club will hold its next meeting Tuesday, May 19, at 6:30 p.m., at the Agawam Senior Center, 954 Main St. The guest speaker this month is Mary Ann Paleologopoulos, who will speak to the group about the mental health issues experienced by cancer survivors.

This year, the AJWC is celebrating 58 years of volunteer service in the community. The club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, one of the largest female volunteer organizations in the

world. Anyone interested in learning more about the AJWC and its volunteer projects is invited to the monthly meeting. Guests and potential new members are welcome.

A social gathering will begin at 6:30 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7 p.m. AJWC meetings are always open to the public. Any women who are interested in serving the community are welcome.

For more information about how to become a member, contact Christina Beauchemin, membership chairperson, at 413-427-8784.

Lace 'Em Up for Lexi race set for May 30

The seventh annual Lace 'Em Up for Lexi 5K Run and Fun Walk will take place Saturday, May 30, at Agawam Junior High School, 1305 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. The event is in memory of Lexi Jagodowski to benefit Griffin's Friends, a charity that "brings moments of joy to courageous kids" and their families. Lexi lost her life to cancer in September 2008 and was one of many children who have received help from Griffin's Friends.

Registration will take place from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. There will also be kids races for ages 10 and under at 8:45 a.m. for \$1 per child. Kids race contestants will register the day of the event.

The 5K run will follow. The entry fee is \$20 for adults and \$15 for students 18 and under. Early registration is encouraged; the first 100 applicants will receive a wicking T-shirt. Prizes will be awarded for the top male and female runners in age groups.

Participants may obtain a pre-race registration form online at www.Lexi96.org, at the Agawam Public Library, or by contacting Laura Wray-Ramos at LRamos@AgawamPublicSchools.org.



Lexi Jagodowski

Big band sound at Crestview

Those who loved the big band sound — or who loved hearing their parents, grandparents, uncles, and aunts talking about the famous nightclub atmosphere of the 1940s — will want to hear the 18-piece Bad News Jazz & Blues Orchestra on May 29, presented by the Agawam Cultural Council.

This Friday evening of entertainment starts at 5 p.m., at Crestview Country Club, 281 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, with a social hour with cheese and crackers and a cash bar. Starting at 6 p.m. a buffet dinner will be served and the band will play songs such as "Fly Me to the Moon," "In the Mood," "I've Got You Under My Skin," "Lady is a Tramp," "Moon River" and "Summertime."

Members of local dance clubs will dazzle with spectacular moves, and all attendees are invited to dance.

Around 7:30 p.m., the Massachusetts Cultural Council will present its 2015

Leadership Circle Award to Agawam Cultural Council Chairman Bob Kadis. Invited guests include members of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, Mayor Richard Cohen, state Sen. Donald Humason Jr. and state Rep. Nicholas Boldyga.

The cost to attend is \$45 per person. Reservations are required. Crestview can seat 280 comfortably, at tables of eight, 10 and 12. All proceeds benefit the Agawam Cultural Council Give Back to the Community Program.

For additional information or to purchase tickets, contact Maryellen Sullivan at 413-575-1759 or ruddee38@comcast.net. Tickets can also be obtained by sending a check made out to Agawam Cultural Council with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Agawam Cultural Council, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main St., Agawam, MA 01001, Attn.: Fundraiser.



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In the Classroom

School Lunch

AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL

The Agawam High School lunch menu is posted on the school's website.

AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, May 18: Chicken nuggets, oven-baked fries, seasoned vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.
Tuesday, May 19: Waffles with strawberries, hash browns, turkey bacon, chilled fruit, orange juice cup.
Wednesday, May 20: American chop suey, cucumber salad, garlic breadstick, fresh and chilled fruit.
Thursday, May 21: Seasoned diced chicken over egg noodles, mixed vegetables, brownie, fresh fruit.
Friday, May 22: French bread pizza, salad with lite dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, cookie.

ROBERTA G. DOERING SCHOOL

Monday, May 18: Chicken nuggets, oven-baked fries, seasoned vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.
Tuesday, May 19: Waffles with strawberries, hash browns, turkey bacon, chilled fruit, orange juice cup.
Wednesday, May 20: American chop suey, cucumber salad, garlic breadstick, fresh and chilled fruit.
Thursday, May 21: Seasoned diced chicken over egg noodles, mixed vegetables, brownie, fresh fruit.
Friday, May 22: French bread pizza, salad with lite dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, cookie.

AGAWAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, May 18: Chicken nuggets, oven-baked fries, seasoned vegetable, fresh and chilled fruit.
Tuesday, May 19: Waffles with strawberries, hash browns, turkey bacon, chilled fruit, orange juice cup.
Wednesday, May 20: American chop suey, cucumber salad, garlic breadstick, fresh and chilled fruit.
Thursday, May 21: Seasoned diced chicken over egg noodles, mixed vegetables, brownie, fresh fruit.
Friday, May 22: French bread pizza, salad with lite dressing, fresh and chilled fruit, cookie.

ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST MENU

Monday, May 18: Assorted low-sugar cereal, 1 percent low-fat milk, cinnamon graham crackers, mozzarella cheese string, chilled juice.
Tuesday, May 19: Assorted low-sugar cereal, 1 percent low-fat milk, assorted Nutri-Grain bars, mozzarella cheese string, chilled juice.
Wednesday, May 20: Assorted low-sugar cereal, 1 percent low-fat milk, assorted muffins, mozzarella cheese string, chilled juice.
Thursday, May 21: Assorted low-sugar cereal, 1 percent low-fat milk, assorted Trix yogurt, mozzarella cheese string, chilled juice.
Friday, May 22: Pillsbury mini chocolate-chip pancakes with syrup for dipping, mozzarella cheese string, chilled 1 percent low-fat milk, chilled juice.

Agawam High School Counseling bulletin

College Acceptances: Greg McLaughlin: University of Rhode Island, UMass Lowell, Rochester Institute of Technology; Patrick White: University of Hartford, Westfield State University, Mitchell College, Holyoke Community College; Michael Liquori: Springfield Technical Community College.

Careers in Accounting and Management Professions Program (C.A.M.P.): UMass Isenberg School of Management is hosting this program for juniors from July 26-July 31 at no cost to the student participants. This weeklong program is designed to promote careers in accounting and other business related fields. Participants will reside in the residence halls. Applications are due May 29. Applications are available in the Counseling Department. A teacher recommendation is needed along with a transcript.

Entry level IT training: Tech Foundry is looking for seniors that are interested in training for an entry level IT job. They are offering a 12-week free IT workforce training program. No IT experience is needed. Tech Foundry will help place students in an internship and a

job upon completion of this training. Application deadline extended to May 15.

Seniors: Please bring in to Mrs. Ledger in Guidance a stamped white envelope addressed to the college you are attending in September so that your final transcript can be mailed out. Make sure to put your name in the top left hand side. If no envelope is received, the transcript will not go out.

Ronald McDonald House Teen Board: This board is comprised of a highly select group of sophomore and junior high school students. Teen selections are based on academics, activities, and commitment to volunteering. Each teen is expected to volunteer 30-40 hours per school year. If you are interested in being a board member, complete an application at www.rmhc-wma.org/get-involved/teen-board-volunteers and return by May 31. Two recommendation letters must accompany the application. Only two students per school are generally chosen.

Scholarships: See your counselor for more information or an application.

Agawam High School honor roll

Agawam High School recently announced its honor roll for the third term of 2014-15.

Grade 12: Nicolas Abodeeb, Alyssa Askins, Weston Asselin, Christopher Basile, Angelo Brignoli, Brittany Busco, Dominic Calcasola, Lexi Cears, Richard Cears, Nicole Christian, Zachary Circosta, Andrew Colson, John Colwell, Hannah Cooper, Brandon Cruz, Cameron Czerpak, Mia Davidson, Jonathan Day, Patrick Deane, Amanda Delore, Daniel Dobek, Jacqueline Donahue, Dalton Drummond, Megan Dustin, Sumeyye Elevli, Carly Evelyn, Marisa Ewing, Rachel Fancy, Kaitlyn Fanning, Emily Feid, David Gage, Goshen Gardner, Tara Graham, Sarah Graves, Teresa Graziano, Nicholas Hanchett, Lauren Hartmann, Tyler Heer, Samantha Henry, Paul Hotaling, Zachary Housman, Heather Howe, Emily Jabry, Emily Jefferson, Mark Johnson, Sarah Kamukala, James Karl-Morin, Carly LaBelle, Michael Largay, Katrina Laz, Christopher LaZazzera, Braden Lucia, Viktoriya Maklakova, Kaitlyn Martin, Stephen Mateus, Victoria McCullough, Kyla McGurn, Angelina Melloni, Joseph Mercadante, Samantha Messier, Irina Mita, Ann Mozzer, Emily Murphy, Jesse Near, Gianna Nettis, Erblina Nuhui, Aliksandra Papova, Roshni Patel, Anna Pellegrino, Megan Phu, Jordan Reed, James Ridenour, Lauren Rinaldi, Cameron Rivest, Daniel Robie, Veronica Rovatti, Veronica Rubeck, Meaghan Sanschagrin, Benjamin Schiff, Allison Schwarz, Alissa Serra, Amanda Smith, Nicole Spafford, Jennifer Stempel, Jae Suk, Keegan Sullivan, Brian Thomas Jr, Christina Verbetsky, Ellen Vyce, Peyton Watford, Ashley Webster, Patrick White, Macklen Wier, Eric Wolowicz, Philip Woods, Zachary Wysocki.

Grade 11: Victoria Abramchuk, Paige Alves, Alexander Amato, Alec Ardolino, Emma Armfield, Cassandra Ayre, Allyson Balboni, John Baranov, Michael Barboza-McLean, Cameron Barrington, Maggie Belanger, Samantha Bennett, Jenna Bonasoni, Kristin Brouillette, Taylor Budreau, Laura Cafaro, Kayla Casamento, Victoria Castro, Samantha Charette, Marino Cipriani, Geoffrey Circosta, Matthew Conway, Nicole Covill, Meghan D'Amours, Kayla DeBarros, Maggie DeForge, Karina Demchuk, Angelina Derosé, Mikayla Diedrick, Richard Dolan, Christophori Dowd, Morgan Durocher, Alec Ferrendino, Ava Ferrendino, Ryan Feyre, Cameron Fowler, Danielle Gagnon, Troy Gallerani, Abigail Garner, Brendan Garvey, Daniel Garvey, Daphne Gauthier, Angela Gnall, Brenna Gompfer, Katelynn Gordner, Grace Greene, Amanda Guerette, Alexander Gut, Veronica Hardy, Justin Hersom, Thomas Howard V, Lilia Iovenco, Madalyn Izoita, Alexa Janicki, Madeline Joyal, Amy Ko, Hannah Kresock, Alexis Kupiec, Amberly La Branche, Tyler LaCamera, Elizabeth LaCroix, Rebecca LaCroix, Conner Lajoie, Brian LaMotte, Gabrielle Lescarbeau, Morgan Lindell, Jessica Lingenberg, Steven Ludtke, Connor Mahoney, Todd Maniscalchi, Katie Martin, Jaime Martinez, Frank Mastromatteo, Diane McGregor, Margaret Mendoza, Amber Micks, Christie Mirski, Joseph Moccio, Roman Moka, Max Molta, Bryanna Montalvo, Julianne Moriarty, Lillian Mosiychuk, Tara Negrucci, Vita Nesen, Maureen O'Connor, Amanda Ottomaniello, John Passerini, Gianna Perella, Duncan Phillips, Helen Phu, Alexis Price, Ashlee Ramsey, Natalie Rauh, Tymothy Regnier, Alexandria Remp, Alison Renaud, Paul Rivera, Tristin Romano, Jennifer Rossi, Jacqueline Rybinski, Austin Sabadosa, Ozan Sarpkaya, Carina Savoie, Zachary Sawyer, Jillian Scherpa, Melissa Schuler, Anthony Sciarrelli, Nicholas Scuderi, Austin Seng, Julia Serra, Kelly Soto, Nico Stelato, Keandria Sussman, Victoria Sutherland, Samantha Swistak, Victoria Thomas, Anastacia Torres, Anthony Ugolini, Maxim Vorobey, Melanie Warner, Allison Wheeler, Emily Whitman, Laura Wynne, Vladimir Zabedyuk, Nick Zaporozhenko.

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Parents, educators invited to Common Core public forum

Agawam Parents for Children First is inviting anyone concerned with the future of both public and private education to attend an informational forum on Common Core and the PARCC test, to be held Monday, May 18, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Agawam Senior Center, 954 Main St.

According to the group, Common Core standards were developed by test makers without the input of teachers, parents, state legislators or local school committees. It was adopted by governors to create a "workforce" curriculum. Some states are now deciding to opt out.

Panelists from both pro and con have been invited. Jamie Gass, direc-

tor of the Pioneer Institute's Center for School Reform, and Sandra Stosky, former senior associate commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Education, will present their findings. Timothy Collins, president of the Springfield Education Association, will also attend. State officials from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education have been invited to present, as well. Agawam's superintendent has been invited. An open mike question-and-answer period will follow speakers.

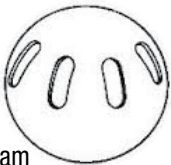
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AHS band, color guard alumni sought for Band-athon

The Agawam High School Band Parents Association is hosting the second annual Band-athon from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 16, at Agawam High School, 760 Cooper St. The event will be held rain or shine.

In addition to raising much-needed funds for the award-winning AHS band program, the Band-athon will showcase the talent of current AHS band students participating in the high school's marching band and color guard, symphony band, wind ensemble and jazz band. Musical performances throughout the day will also include AHS band alumni ensembles created for this event, and established bands and musical groups containing alumni members.

All Agawam music students have been invited to participate. As of last week, the



Current and former members of the Agawam High School bands participated in a hotly contested "March Off" last year, won by Jake Hoban, AHS class of 2015.

Schedule of performances

- 11 a.m.:** Opening ceremonies featuring the Agawam High School Marching Mohawks and Color Guard; eighth grade music students also invited to participate
- 11:30 a.m.:** Sixth Grade Jazz Band
- Noon:** High School Jazz Ensemble
- 12:30 p.m.:** D.J. Chris Hamel on the outdoor stage
- 1 p.m.:** AHS sixth annual Pops Concert, featuring the Symphony Band at 1 p.m. and the Wind Ensemble at 2 p.m.
- 3 p.m.** Gift basket raffle and Band Director William Hueglin scheduled for dunk tank
- 3:30 p.m.** Alumni Jazz Ensemble



Agawam High School Director of Bands William Hueglin conducts the combined alumni band at Bandathon 2014. SUBMITTED PHOTOS

roster of performers includes the award-winning Agawam High School music ensembles, the middle school's Sixth Grade Jazz Band and the Alumni Jazz Ensemble, which was an audience favorite at last year's event. Chris Hamel, AHS class of 1987, of Chris Hamel Productions, will serve as master of ceremonies for the entire afternoon, providing entertainment and

information between all performances.

Agawam High School band alumni interested in playing with the alumni jazz ensemble should contact Todd Connery at toddconnery06@gmail.com as soon as possible.

New for this year's event, AHS Band Director Bill Hueglin has agreed to participate in a "Dunk the Director" booth. Organizers are also working to attract other "dunkable" personalities.

The event will also include food, crafter and vendor tables, raffle prizes, face painting for kids and much more.

Advance ticket purchases are encouraged, but tickets will also be available the

day of the event. Donation amounts are \$5 per person in advance, \$7 per person day of the event. Children under 5 will be admitted free of charge. For advance tickets, contact Tina Lee at tinalee242000@yahoo.com.

Turnverein to offer scholarship

The Springfield Turnverein has announced its first scholarship award. This scholarship is open to any member, their spouses, children, or grandchildren. Relatives of deceased members may also apply.

A credit of \$500 will be established at the bookstore of the student's college or junior college. Students must be college sophomores, juniors or seniors. Applications, which must be returned by June 1, may be picked up at the Turnverein at 60 N. Westfield St., Feeding Hills, or springfieldturnverein.com.

CAMPUS NOTES

Emmanuel College: Tyler Billick, of Feeding Hills, and the men's lacrosse team finished the spring season as Great Northeast Athletic Conference champions for the second consecutive year. Cian O'Sullivan, of Agawam, was among student-athletes from 16 varsity sports and the dance team honored for accomplishments on and off the field during the school's annual Athletics Banquet held April 25.

Springfield College: Colleen Keeley, of Agawam, earned Spring Academic All-Conference Team honors by the New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference. Courtney Rivest, of Agawam,

earned the Occupational Therapy Department's Distinguished Senior Award and was also the recipient of the Proud Recognition of Individuals Dedicated to Excellence Award for Humanities Leader in Service. Edrine Olowo, of Feeding Hills, was awarded the Proud Recognition of Individuals Dedicated to Excellence Unsung Hero Award.

University of Massachusetts Amherst: Janice Beach, of Agawam, was recently inducted into the Honor Society of Phi Beta Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines.

Spelling Bee this Friday

The GFWC Agawam Junior Women's Club will hold its annual Spelling Bee for elementary students in grades 4, 5, and 6 on Friday, May 15, at the Roberta G. Doering School beginning at 7 p.m. It will be broadcast live on cable Channel 15 and rebroadcast on May 20 and May 27.

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Arts festival draws public to student exhibits

By Mike Lydick
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Feeding Hills veteran Larry Landry stands under a portrait of himself when he was on active duty. The portrait was drawn by junior Laura Wynne, who is holding the photo it was based on.



Senior Mia Davidson poses with a self-portrait she drew as one of her art projects.

Agawam High School students in the National Art Honors I and Honors II classes recently exhibited their creative works at the 12th annual Spring Arts Festival at the high school.

The evening event on April 30 gave these students an opportunity show off the art projects they had made throughout the year. Artwork on display included printmaking, acrylic and water color paintings, pencil and charcoal drawings, and mixed media pieces.

But what drew the most interest were the various portraits of military men and women that were drawn or painted by students. Some portraits were of family members who served or who are currently serving in the military. Students who did not have a relative in military service honored local veterans by painting their portraits.

Two Feeding Hills veterans — Larry Landry and Kevin Szczygiel — attended the arts festival to meet the artist who drew their portraits from photos taken when they were on active duty. Art teacher Amber Walters, whose father's portrait was among the drawings, said she and her colleague Deb Florek initiated the project as another way to honor veterans and help make history more relevant to students.

Gary Janulewicz, a former Marine who served in Vietnam and who serves on the Agawam Veterans Council, helped get the project started last fall. He visited the honors art classes to share his military experiences.

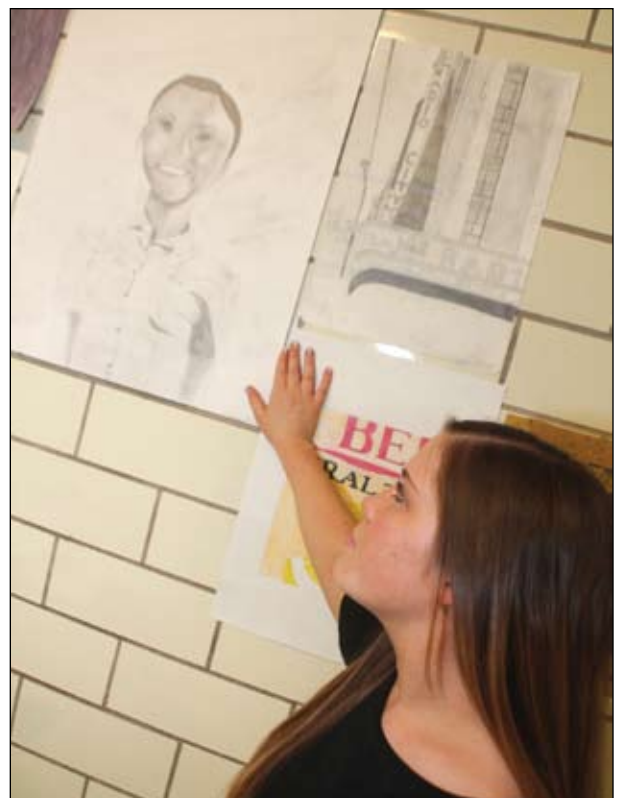
"When Gary spoke to the classes, it was so quiet you could hear a pin drop," said Walters.

Florek said the arts festival is a way for students to share their work with the public, families, and supporters of the arts. Those attending the arts festival could also attend performances by the school's honor chorus (Tonal Tonacity) as well as three other musical groups: the chorale, the Bell-Tones, and Turn Up the Brass.

A \$5 admission fee and a bake sale helped to raise money for three annual art scholarships awarded at the festival. Scholarship winners were Marissa Miller (James Franco Award, the top award, named in honor of a former AHS art student who died shortly after graduating in 2003), Mia Davidson (Best in Mixed Media Award), and Ana Botnary (Best in Drawing and Painting Award). Students were chosen for their dedication and support to the honors program, high standards in their work, and their love of learning.



Senior Gabrielle "Gabby" Lescarbeau and Kevin Szczygiel hold a portrait she drew of the Feeding Hills veteran, based on a 1964 photograph of Szczygiel as an Air Force sergeant.



Senior Victoria Shortt honored her cousin Tara, who is serving in the Navy, by drawing her portrait. She plans to give the drawing to her cousin.



Mario Pioggia Jr. snaps some pictures of his daughter Jessica, a senior, in front of her display of art exhibits.



Agawam resident Bill Souder checks out a portrait of a military couple drawn by junior Carina Savoie.

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Sonja Funk, director of AHS choirs, directs the honors chorus, Tonal Tonacity.



Art teachers Deb Florek (far left) and Amber Walters (second right) pose with two of the three students who received art scholarships at the festival. Marissa Miller (second left) was awarded the James Franco Memorial Scholarship, while Mia Davidson was honored with the Best in Mixed Media Award. Senior Ana Botnary (not pictured) received the Best in Drawing and Painting Award.



Junior Diane McGregor shows off some of the art projects she has created this school year.



AHS Assistant Principal Susan Feyre talks with senior Michael Largay about a portrait he drew of his grandfather, who served in the military police during World War II.



Senior Emily Jefferson touches up some smudges on her charcoal portrait of a Marine. The drawing is from a portrait taken in the 1960s of Roger Walters, now 75. He's the father of AHS art teacher Amber Walters.

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SPORTS

SOFTBALL

Brownies squeeze out late run to beat Panthers

By Gregory A. Scibelli
*Turley Publications
Sports Correspondent*

AGAWAM – Last Friday afternoon, the Agawam softball team faced one of its toughest opponents of the season when they faced off against Palmer High School in an independent matchup.

The matchup was good for the tournament-qualified Brownies as they pushed across a single run in the bottom of the sixth inning to win 1-0.

Palmer threatened with baserunners throughout the game, but no one made it past third base as junior pitcher Allison Wheeler was on top of her game.

In the bottom of the sixth, Agawam finally put together a rally, starting with a solid single to left field for Jess Lingenberg with one out.

During the next at-bat, Palmer pitcher Savannah Cavanaugh let loose and uncorked a wild pitch that went over the catcher and to the backstop, allowing Lingenberg to move up to second base. A passed ball would put the po-



Pitcher Allison Wheeler winds and fires to the plate. She struck out 14 in a win against Palmer last Friday. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

tential game-winning run on third base.

Taylor Marcotte would walk to put runners at first and third. She moved up to second while Becca Uschmann was at the plate by defensive indifference.

Cavanaugh would pop Uschmann up to leave the run-

ners in scoring position with two outs.

Alyssa Eggleston, who has been filling in admirably at third base while Maria Moccio recovers from a finger injury, was able to make contact, and hit the ball between third and shortstop.

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BASEBALL

Agawam picks up first win of the season

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – Agawam baseball may not be headed for the tournament this season, but they are working hard to stay in every game they play in throughout the rest of the season.

Last Friday afternoon, the Brownies were able to record a bright spot on their schedule as they picked up their first win of the regular season, ending an 11-game losing streak, with several of their games decided by just a few runs or less.

On Friday afternoon, Tyler Heer pitched a four-hitter in a complete game effort against East Longmeadow. The Brownies took the game 3-1 with two-run

bottom of the sixth inning.

Agawam scored its first run in the bottom of the third inning when Seamus Curran reached base on a hit-by-pitch.

He would steal second base and then come around to score on an error. The error allowed Anthony Basile to reach first base, but he was not able to get past second. East Longmeadow would score its only run of the game when it got to Heer in the top of the fourth inning. But Heer quelled the rest of the threat and was able to get out of the inning without further damage.

The Brownies were able to push across two runs in the bottom of the sixth inning thanks to some mistakes by the Spartans.

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Cam Rivest connects with the ball. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

VOLLEYBALL

Comp gets 3-0 sweep for second time

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam boys volleyball team has qualified for the Western Massachusetts Tournament, but so has the Colts and they are coming for Agawam this year.

For the second time this season, the Colts picked up a 3-0 shutout of the Brownies.

The Brownies, much like the Colts a couple of years ago, feature a younger team than in recent years. Chicopee Comp, however, has a lot of height this season and they used it to their full advantage against Agawam.

The Brownies, thanks to some great play by Jeff Leclerc, would actually take the lead in the first game of the set.

With a 17-14 lead, Comp was able to make its move, and stayed within one or two points for the next several plays.

Finally, Comp came alive and tied the score 20-20 when an Agawam block went out of bounds, giving the point to Comp.

From there, Comp scored the next five points and scored the 25-20 win. Sean Buxton would score the final point with an emphatic spike to get the win. Vitaly Popovichenko also had a tip in the final sequence to help the Colts to the first-game victory.

Comp controlled much of the second game of the set, keeping a decent lead throughout.

Both teams were close at the beginning, with Agawam last leading 8-7 before a couple of spikes went out of bounds and Comp took a 9-8 lead.

Popovichenko would later follow with a big ace, planting the ball where no one could get it on the serve. Agawam took advantage of a bad Comp serve to stay close, but that was the last mis-

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Roman Mogan makes a hit for the Brownies. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

LACROSSE

Brownies rally for big win over South Hadley

By Gregory A. Scibelli
Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – After going through an incredibly tough stretch where they had trouble scoring goals and difficulties on defense, the Agawam boys lacrosse team has come back with six straight wins, last defeating South Hadley 15-13 in a come-from-behind victory to reach 9-4 for the regular season.

The Brownies have now qualified for the tournament with five games remaining and will now be focused on preparing for any time that they could see with the Western and Central Massachusetts format in place for the second straight year.

South Hadley struck fast in the matchup last Friday afternoon at Harmon A. Smith Field, scoring

seven goals and taking a 7-2 lead at the end of the first frame.

Agawam was able to come back and outscore the Tigers in the second quarter, but the big start still gave the Tigers a 10-6 halftime lead.

Agawam stayed in control after the break, and went on an amazing 7-1 run to take the lead 13-11.

South Hadley's defense completely came undone as Agawam continued to push across goals in the big period, turning the Tigers' great start against them.

Agawam would allow a couple of fourth quarter goals, but kept pace to secure the two-goal win.

The Brownies were led by five goals from Elijah Bard. Chris Breault scored three times with an assist and Nick Hanchett had

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Sports

Hall of Fame hosting weekend events to honor ‘heroes’

HOLYOKE – Please join The International Volleyball Hall of Fame (IVHF) as they host the FDNY, the NYPD and area police and fire personnel for two upcoming special events.

On Friday, May 15 the IVHF will hold the second annual “Night of Heroes” reception from 7 to 9 p.m. at the International Volleyball Hall of Fame. Enjoy an evening of social networking in a casual atmosphere as the IVHF honors and celebrates the FDNY along with Holyoke and other area emergency personnel. The evening will also include a special award presentation to the Holyoke Fire Department. This FREE event is open to the public and will feature food, refreshments and beer/wine.

On Saturday, May 16, 2015 the IVHF will host the Police & Fire Challenge Volleyball

Tournament from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Gymnasium. The tournament will feature eight teams from throughout the Northeast headlined by the FDNY, NYPD, Holyoke, Springfield and Acton Fire Departments. Teams will compete in a round robin pool play followed by playoffs. Winning team will have their team name added to the perpetual trophy and team photo displayed in the Hall of Fame for one year.

The International Volleyball Hall of Fame is located at 444 Dwight St. in Holyoke and pays tribute to the legends of international volleyball honoring athletes, coaches and leaders from across the world in the game of volleyball. For further information, visit www.volleyhall.org or contact the Hall at 413-536-0926.



Jess Lingenberg makes contact on a bunt attempt. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

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The ball went off the glove of Palmer third baseman Jasmine Santos, the ball rolled away and Lingenberg came across to score the game’s first run.

With runners at the corners and two outs, Rachel Laponese would pop out to the pitcher.

Wheeler was able to come on in the seventh and retire the side quickly in order, ending a four-hitter where she struck out 14 of her 21 outs.

Agawam coach Kathy Georgina complimented Palmer, especially Cavanaugh.

“When we played them last year, they did not have her (Cavanaugh),” said Georgina. “She is an excellent pitcher and she really gave us a tough time.”

Agawam had come off their first two losses of the season against Longmeadow and East Longmeadow. The Palmer victory gave the Brownies some confidence.

“This was a hard-fought win that we needed,” said Georgina.

Palmer coach Shorey Raymond said

Agawam is a tough opponent, but losing by a 1-0 score is a huge confidence boost for the Panthers.

“It really came down to a ground ball off the glove,” she said. “I think it shows us that we can really compete at this level. We definitely brought our ‘A’ game here.”

Cavanaugh was charged with just one run on four hits in six innings. She walked three and struck out nine. Like Wheeler, Cavanaugh also escaped some jams during the game.

Fielding was also excellent in this game, with neither team committing an error and both making some excellent defensive plays throughout the game.

Agawam is now 10-2 this season with a win over Chicopee on Monday and have qualified for the Division I tournament. Agawam faces West Springfield on Monday at 4 p.m. Palmer is 9-4 and next faces Holyoke Catholic Friday afternoon at 4 p.m. at home.

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three goals and two assists. John Colwell, Matt Lemke, Elijah Tobak, and Zach Circosta each scored a goal for Agawam.

Zach Fiedler got the start in goal and finished with seven saves. For Agawam, it was its first victory over South Hadley.

“The final score against South Hadley doesn’t really give you the idea of the roller coaster ride that took place on Friday,” said coach Joseph Heney. “Down 7-2 after the first quarter, our guys made a commitment to one another to make sure that the next 36 minutes told a different story. We haven’t beaten South Hadley in over 10 years, and the boys wanted this one bad, despite coming out of the gate slowly. They hustled after ground balls, made tremendous plays, and earned a big team win.”

Heney said Joe Cortese and Nick Antico

really anchored the defense and caused turnovers that helped Agawam in its big comeback.

In addition to the win over South Hadley, Agawam also had huge victories over West Springfield 16-6, East Longmeadow 18-11, and Chicopee Comp, 22-12.

Agawam played earlier this week against Amherst and was hoping to avenge an earlier season loss against Cathedral Wednesday.

The Brownies will have a rematch against South Hadley coming up tomorrow afternoon at 4 p.m. Agawam is at Northampton Monday at 7 p.m.

Agawam also holds a 5-1 league record. A win over Cathedral would put Agawam in a tie for first place in the Valley League.

Falcons swept by Brownies

By Nate Rosenthal

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

WILBRAHAM - The Minnechaug volleyball team lost to Agawam three games to none and are on the verge of elimination from the postseason. It would be the second year that they missed out on the tournament.

While the team has improved a great deal from last year’s three game winners, they have just not been able to sustain anything. After two wins to start the season, they lost three. A win was followed by four losses and then two wins by three more losses.

This one was a source of some frustration for the Falcons. They stayed with the Brownies for a good part of the first set, tied 11-11, but then Agawam took off and won by a 25-19 score. Game two was never close. The Brownies took a 2-1 lead and Minnechaug could not get back to even at any point. The final was 25-15. Minnechaug actually led in game three, 2-1 and 3-2, but Agawam pulled away in a hurry opening their lead with several big runs, toward a 25-11 final.

David Walbridge gave the Falcons a 1-0 lead with a kill on the opening point. A net violation made it 2-0 and after a Brownie point, a Walbridge tip made it 3-1. The Brownies scored three and it was 4-3.

Minnechaug got the lead back at 5-4 on a Nik Bates block and again at 9-8 when he blocked another. Their last lead of the set came at 11-10 on a Walbridge kill. With Roman Moka serving, the Brownies scored the next five points and took a 16-11 lead. Minnechaug got back to three on a Chris Blanchard ace. But that would be as close as it would get. An Anthony Frigo kill made it 22-14 and he was serving, when the Minnechaug return of went past the end line for a 25-19 Agawam win.

Mike Basile’s block gave the Brownies a 1-0 lead and then it was 2-1 after he had a kill. Moka served it to 3-1. A Garrett Hollander ace got it to 6-2 and gradually Agawam built from there. It was 9-3, then 13-5 and 17-8. The margin reached double digits on a Frigo block and a Brodie Keene kill. The teams traded points for the duration and it ended at 25-16 on a Frigo kill.

As he had in the second, Basile had a kill for the first point in the third. Minnechaug scored the next two and had one of its few leads of the match. After a Keene kill tied it, Walbridge got the lead back for Minnechaug. It would be short-lived. A Frigo block have them a 4-3 lead and his two aces made it 6-3. After a side out, Keene served to 10-4 and the Brownies took complete control with Kris Page behind the line as Keene had two kills and Page an ace for a 19-7 lead. They worked to a 25-11 final.



Tyler Heer makes a pickoff throw. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

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It started with Basile being awarded first base thanks to catcher’s interference. Nate Mickey, who entered the game off the bench, was hit by a pitch to put runners on first and second with no outs.

Max Molta completed a sacrifice to move the runners over, and then Anthony Donahue and Tym Regnier would deliver the two runners home.

Donahue started with a single bringing home Basile. Mickey would move to third base on the hit. He would come home on a sacrifice fly by Regnier.

Heer would come into the seventh and shut down the Spartans offense to pick up the victory. Heer allowed one run on four hits. He walked one batter.

Donahue, Basile, Matt O’Keefe, and Cam Rivest had the only hits for the Brownies.

Despite a two-run rally in the seventh

inning, the Brownies were defeated by Chicopee Comp 4-3 on Monday afternoon at Dulchinos Field in Chicopee.

Agawam was trailing 4-1 when they were able to push across two runs, one scored by Troy Gallerani and the other by Curran, to get back within one run. But the Colts were able to shut the door before Agawam could push across the tying run.

Curran had a huge day going 3-for-4 with two doubles and a triple. He scored two runs and drove in another. Basile was 4-for-4 with a double and an RBI. Agawam had 11 hits in the loss.

Luke Rheault was hit with the loss. He allowed four runs on four hits in four innings pitched. He walked three and struck out three. Gallerani had two shutout innings in relief.

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take Comp would make for a while.

The Colts would build a five-point lead 17-12 as they neared the end of the second game. Josiah Douglas would secure an ace, but Leclerc came back with a kill to finally put some life into the Brownies.

Agawam would win several points, including another ace, and trailed 20-18.

Two spikes by Douglas would help Comp re-gain its four-point lead 23-19, and a couple of soft hits by Max Thivierge would finish off the second 25-20 victory of the match.

Comp would go on to win the third

game and sweep the set by the same score, 25-20.

Douglas finished with 10 kills followed by Buxton with seven. Agawam got 15 kills from Leclerc.

Stephan Arvanitis had 11 digs while Douglas recorded 10. Agawam got 16 digs from Roman Moka. Comp is now 13-1 this season while Agawam is sitting at 9-4.

Agawam is next scheduled to at home against Sci-Tech on Monday afternoon at 5 p.m. Comp is in action the same day at Chicopee High School at 6:30 p.m.

Business

Six Flags celebrates Agawam’s birthday Sunday

Six Flags New England will hold its first-ever Agawam Day this Sunday, May 17, to celebrate the town’s 160th birthday. The celebration will begin with a birthday party at 10 a.m. featuring a special cake presentation to Mayor Richard Cohen. Six Flags will also announce the winners of two scholarships of \$2,000 for Agawam High School students who excel in academics, extracurricular activities and philanthropy.

As part of the day’s festivities, Six Flags will be giving the Agawam public schools a special gift: free admission to all 4,800 students and teachers. All guests are encouraged to wear orange as they support the town’s birthday.

“I am really proud to see that the town of Agawam has a great working relation-

ship with Six Flags New England,” says Mayor Cohen. “They have been great supporters of our nonprofit organizations while incorporating innovative attractions to garner tourism from throughout New England. Now that the Coaster Capital of New England is celebrating Agawam Day, it only takes our partnership to the next level. We couldn’t be happier and look forward to continuing our positive relationship.”

In addition to attracting tourists from all over the world to its theme park on Main Street, Six Flags New England supports a number of organizations in the community, including the Agawam Public Library, Agawam Little League, the Agawam River Walk and the Agawam YMCA.

Farm Products Guide available now

Community Involved in Sustaining Agriculture has released the Farm Products Guide, the Pioneer Valley’s definitive resource on local farms and businesses that source local products, including restaurants, retailers, specialty producers and dining services.

The 2015 guide contains information on 256 farms, 70 restaurants, 39 retailers, 20 dining services, 17 specialty producers, and four garden centers or landscapers. These numbers, an 8 percent increase over last year’s membership with 54 new members, reflects the growth of the interest in local agriculture and CISA’s Local Hero program.

The guide also includes a list of area farmers markets, a guide to farms offering pick-your-own fruit crops, a seasonality calendar, a listing of farm festivals and more. It also highlights CISA’s 2015 Local Hero Award winners, which are Appalachian Naturals, a specialty foods producer based in Goshen; Enterprise Farm, a Whately vegetable farm; and Randall’s Farm and Greenhouse, a Ludlow retailer.

Sixty thousand copies of the guide will be distributed. Residents in Franklin, Hampshire and Hampden counties may receive a copy through newspaper subscriptions this week and next, and the guide will also be distributed through local retailers, farm stands, farmers markets, libraries and other sites.

Legals

AGAWAM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT April 14, 2015

Notice is hereby given that the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Agawam Public Library Community Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on **Tuesday, May 26 at 7PM** for all parties interested in the appeal NWST, LLC which is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-44(I) which would allow for the construction of a drive-through service window at the premises identified as 14 North Westfield Street.

Doreen Prouty Chairperson
Agawam Board of Appeals
5/7,5/14/15

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Doreen Prouty Chairperson
Agawam Board of Appeals
5/7,5/14/15

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD15P0777EA
Estate of: Arthur Rein
Date of Death: 02/28/2015
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: **JoAnne Pahwul** of Sag Harbor NY requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

And also requesting that: **JoAnne Pahwul** of Sag Harbor NY be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on 06/01/2015.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. **Anne M Geoffrion**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 04, 2015
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
5/14/15

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court**

50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD15P0764EA Estate of: Delores A Forgue Date of Death: 02/20/2014 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: **Kimberly A Beck** of Enfield CT requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

And also requesting that: **Kimberly A Beck** of Enfield CT be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on 05/29/2015.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and

expenses of administration.
WITNESS, Hon. **Anne M Geoffrion**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 01, 2015
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
5/14/15

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 Docket No. HD09P1433PM In the matter of: Edward Johnson Of: Agawam, MA Protected Person/ Disabled Person/ Respondent CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF CONSERVATOR’S ACCOUNT

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, you are hereby notified pursuant to Rule 72 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court, that the 5th account(s) of **Jewish Family Services of W. Ma. Inc.** of Springfield, MA as Conservator of the property of said Respondent has or have been presented to the Court for allowance.

You have the right to object to the account(s). If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of 05/28/2015. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to object to the account(s). If you fail to file the written appearance and objection by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you, including the allowance of the account(s).

Additionally, within thirty days after said return date (or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order), you must file a written affidavit of objections stating the specific facts and grounds upon which each objection is based and a copy shall be served upon the Conservator pursuant to Rule 3 of the Supplemental Rules of the Probate & Family Court.

You have the right to send to the Conservator, by registered or certified mail, a written request to receive a copy of the account(s) at no cost to you.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a

lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. **Anne M Geoffrion**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 30, 2015
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
5/14/15

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD15P0793EA Estate of: Gloria L Daglio Date of Death: 04/06/2015 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: **Martin S Daglio** of Feeding Hills MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

And also requesting that: **Martin S Daglio** of Feeding Hills MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on 06/01/2015.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. **Anne M Geoffrion**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 04, 2015
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
5/14/15

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD15P0732EA Estate of: Rose Marie Mullaly Also known as: Rose Mullaly, Rose M Mullaly Date of Death: 02/10/2015 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: **James Lawrence** of Southwick MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

And also requesting that: **James Lawrence** of Southwick MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on June 2, 2015.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. **Anne M Geoffrion**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 05, 2015
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
5/14/15

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Obituaries & Church News

FAITH MATTERS

Divine entanglement

My mother-in-law Mary was a twin to her sister Rose. Once, when my wife Rosemary was young, she remembers how while the family was in the car on vacation in New Hampshire, her mother suddenly cried out, “Turn around. We have to go home. My father just died.”

This event took place before there were either cell phones or email. So how did she know? Mary knew because her sister Rose, who was back in Connecticut, knew. In that moment, Mary and her sister Rose were entangled in a moment of loss and grief over which distance had no effect. Professor David Kaiser states, “Entanglement concerns the behavior of tiny particles, such as electrons, that have interacted in the past and then moved apart. Tickle one particle here, and its partner should dance, instantaneously, no matter how far away the second particle has traveled.”

Mary had been entangled with her sister Rose from the moment of conception, when they shared together a single cell. Throughout their lives, that initiating union would lead them to share things together no matter how far away they were from each other.

We have all experienced at some time an entanglement taking place within our soul which seems to be affected by the movement of some unknown force. This movement generates a

longing within for something unseen and indescribable. Speaking of this longing, Blaise Pascal once wrote, “There is a God-shaped vacuum in the heart of every man which cannot be filled by any created thing, but only by God, the Creator, made known through Jesus.” We were all created to be entangled with our creator. Entangled in that moment when God breathed into a clay figure his divine breath and Adam became a living being. Creator and created entangled through the sharing on one breath. A being whose divine intent was to reflect that entangled glory from God for all to see.

But Adam chose to walk away from God, and we have all paid the price of that rejection. And yet no matter how far we have wandered from God’s presence, this divine entanglement maintains its effect on us. In those darkest hours and in those loneliest places, we can still feel deep within us the movement of the divine and we know without a doubt that God is still searching for us. God is still longing to reunite with us. God still loves us. May this be the moment when you know without a doubt how much God loves you. May this be the moment when you turn around and head back home.

The Rev. Greg Dawson is pastor of Agawam Congregational Church on Main Street.



Rev. Greg Dawson

Kids Bible camp to begin July 13

The Catholic community of Agawam will host a Catholic weeklong summer Bible camp Monday through Friday, July 13 to 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Morning and afternoon snacks and lunch are provided.

The program will include daily scripture themes, crafts, outdoor games, activities, music, food and fun. For children in grades 1 through 6, youth volunteers in grades 7 through 11 are welcome to assist in the program. The cost for each child is \$50 and for three or more, \$125.

Medical forms, registration and fees need to be completed by Monday, June 15. For more information or to register, call the secretary and religious education coordinator at Sacred Heart Parish, Lisa Raffia, at 413-786-8200. Registration forms are available online at www.sacred-heartfeedinghills.org. All are welcome to attend, regardless of parish affiliation. It will be held only if there are the necessary numbers of children attending.

Hope Church hosts free kids camp in July

Hope Community Church, 152 S. Westfield St., Feeding Hills, will host a free kids camp Monday through Friday, July 20-24, from 9 a.m. to noon. The camp will include Bible stories, activities, games, crafts and snacks.

The camp, “Gospel Light’s SonSpark Labs,” will focus on “Discovering God’s Plan 4U = Jesus!”

For more information, call 413-786-2445 or visit hopecommunitychurchagawam.org.

DEATH NOTICES

Bellico, Ann Marie E.
Died May 8, 2015
Funeral May 11, 2015
Agawam Curran-Jones
Funeral Home

Daly, Francis
Died May 7, 2015
Funeral May 12, 2015
Colonial Forastiere Funeral
Home
Agawam

Pennock, Anne
Died May 8, 2015
Funeral May 13, 2015
Agawam Curran-Jones
Funeral Home

Settembro, Albert J.
Died May 10, 2015
Funeral May 14, 2015
Agawam Funeral Home

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Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

Church Directory

AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

745 Main St., Agawam
786-7111
Pastor: Rev. Greg E. Dawson
Agawam1@verizon.net
www.agawamcongregational-church.com

SUNDAY SERVICES at 10 a.m.
Communion on the first Sunday of the month
Church school is in session and fellowship coffee hour follows the service.
“A place to call home ~ A people to call family”

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill St., Feeding Hills
413-786-4174
Pastor: Ken Blanchard
email_agawamumc@gmail.com
www.agawamworship.org

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday 10 a.m.
Holy Communion served 1st and 3rd Sundays.
Coffee hour after worship; Bible Study after fellowship.
Prepare Meal for Samaritan Inn Homeless Shelter 2nd Saturdays 2-5 p.m.
Offsite Worship:
Heritage East, 1st Mondays, 11 a.m.
Heritage North, 1st Tuesdays, 11 a.m.
Heritage Woods, 1st Mondays, 11 a.m.
Country Estates, 2nd and 5th Thursdays, 11 a.m.

BETHANY ASSEMBLY OF GOD

580 Main St., Agawam
(413) 789-2930
www.bethany-ag.org
Senior Pastor: Rev. Richard E. Adams
WORSHIP SERVICES
Sunday 9am & 10:45am
Christian Education offered during both services.
Nightlife Contemporary Service: Sunday 6 p.m.
Wednesday Family Night: 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF REDEMPTION

50 Maple St., Agawam
(413) 304-2313
churchor.org

WORSHIP SERVICES
Summer Schedule

Sunday Services, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Sunday school for children and nursery for younger children

FAITH BIBLE CHURCH

370 Shoemaker Lane
Agawam
(413) 786-1681
jesussaves.7@comcast.net
Church Website: www.faithbible-church.org
Pastor: Rick Donofrio

SERVICES

Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting and Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UCC

“An Open and Affirming Congregation.”
21 N. Westfield St., Feeding Hills
P.O. Box 264
(413) 786-5061
fhccucc@comcast.net
Pastor: The Rev. Robert C. Donaldson

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Church School 10:15 a.m.
Worship Service 10 a.m.
Infant and child care provided.
Handicap accessible.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF AGAWAM

760 Main St., Agawam
churchedie@comcast.net
www.firstbaptistagawam.org
Pastor: Rev. George Thomson

SUNDAY SERVICES

Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School (grades K - 5) following Children’s Message until 10:45
Youth Group meets at 11 a.m.
Coffee & Conversation following worship service

HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

152 South Westfield St.
Feeding Hills
789-2026

SUNDAY SERVICES

Men’s & Women’s Bible Study Groups and Children’s Sunday School Worship Service at 10 a.m. Children’s Church for age 3 to high school takes place after

the service. Nursery available for younger children. A time for fellowship after the service.

MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH

522 Springfield St., Feeding Hills
Feeding Hills, MA
478-9484
David L. Short, Pastor

Sunday Family Bible Study Hour, 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Service, 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 7 p.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

1103 Springfield St., Feeding Hills
(413) 786-8200
www.SacredHeartFeedingHills.org
Fr. Steven Amo

WEEKLY SERVICES

Lord’s Day Masses: Saturday, 4 p.m.;
Sunday, 7:15 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m.
Confessions: Saturdays, 3:15 p.m.
Weekday Masses: Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m.
Special Devotions: Perpetual Novena to the Sacred Heart following the Friday 9 a.m. Mass

ST. DAVID’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

699 Springfield St., Feeding Hills.
786-6133
saintdavidsc@comcast.net
www.stdavidsgawam.org.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

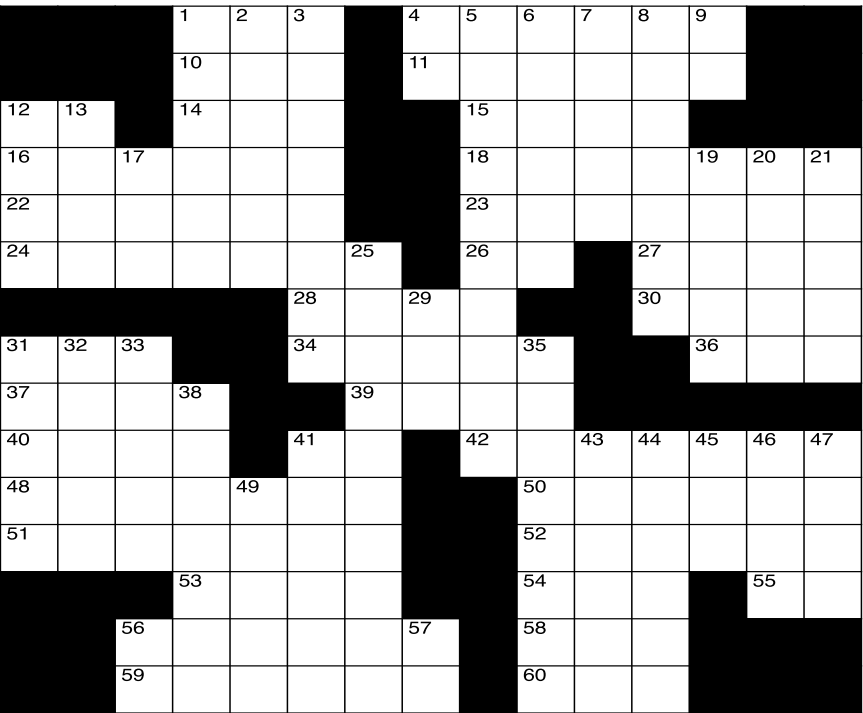
Sunday, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

ST. JOHN’S CHURCH

823 Main St., Agawam
786-8105
info@stjohnnevangelistchurch.org
www.stjohnagawam.org

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturdays: 5 p.m. (Memorial Day to Labor Day)
Sundays: 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m., Latin Mass 12:30 p.m.
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Cleopatra’s viper
- 4. Cuneiform writing
- 10. Dekaliter
- 11. Groaned
- 12. For instance
- 14. Wave in spanish
- 15. Arabian gulf
- 16. Written in red
- 18. Denouncements
- 22. Eat one’s heart out
- 23. Survive longer than
- 24. Take priority over
- 26. Foreign service
- 27. Russian king (alt. sp.)
- 28. Stinkheads
- 30. Old name for Tokyo
- 31. Box (abbr.)
- 34. Red rock in Australia

- 36. Not old
- 37. Enlarge hole
- 39. Difficulty walking
- 40. The high point of something
- 41. 101
- 42. Hunting expeditions
- 48. Unusual appearing ghostly figure
- 50. Without civilizing influences
- 51. Heartbeat
- 52. Morning juice
- 53. Wicket
- 54. Head louse egg
- 55. 40th state
- 56. Pleasing to the eye (Scot.)
- 58. Nickname for an anorexic
- 59. Engaged in a game

- 60. Household god (Roman)
- CLUES DOWN
- 1. Admirer
- 2. Mouth secretion
- 3. Afterbirth
- 4. Initials of “Bullitt” star
- 5. Family crest
- 6. Forearm bone
- 7. Unable to move
- 8. Loss due to a rule infraction
- 9. Touchdown
- 12. Accordingly
- 13. Spiritual teacher
- 17. A bridal mouthpiece
- 19. Dress up garishly
- 20. Cleverly avoid
- 21. S.E. Asia goat antelope
- 25. Fla. state dessert
- 29. Popular legume

- 31. Two-die gambling game
- 32. Easily annoyed (alt. sp.)
- 33. Khoikhoi peoples
- 35. Cyclic
- 38. Flavor of Newport cigarettes
- 41. Jamestown was the 1st English
- 43. Fine meal made from cereal grain
- 44. Incarnation
- 45. Norse goddess of the sea
- 46. Ignores or snubs (slang)
- 47. Tiny glass bubble
- 49. Chinese mahogany genus
- 56. Deepwater Horizon Co.
- 57. - __, denotes past

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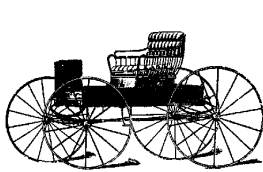
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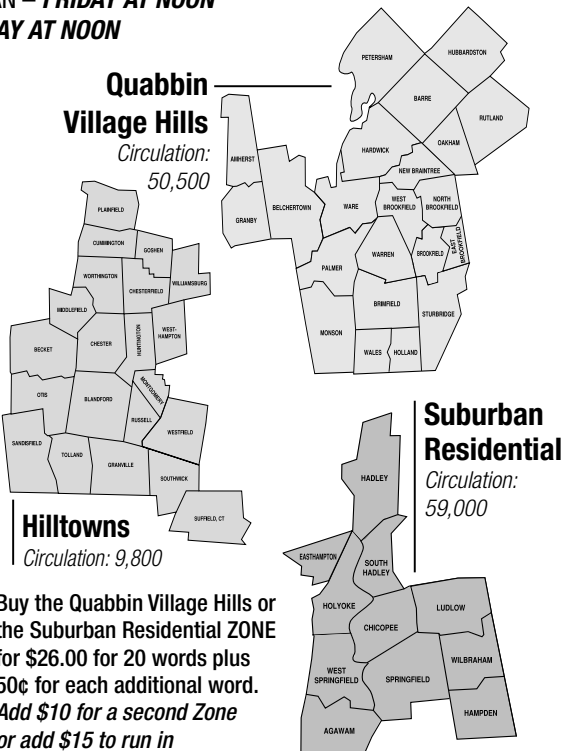
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